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1. ATHENS WEEKEND PRESS REPORTED ISSUANCE OF TWO STATEMENTS BY GREEK DEPUTIES CRITICIZING VICE PRESIDENT ROCKEFELLER FOR HIS ALLEGED REMARKS ON GREECE. FIRST STATEMENT WAS SIGNED BY 17 DEPUTIES OF THE "INTER-PARTY PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE FOR SUPPORT OF CYPRUS." IT CALLED FOR GREEK-AMERICANS AND OTHER AMERICANS CONCERNED WITH CAUSE OF DEMOCRACY IN GREECE AND "DEFENSE OF RIGHTS OF STRUGGLING CYPRIOT PEOPLE" TO GIVE A FITTING REPLY TO THE VICE PRESIDENT'S STATEMENTS. THE SECOND STATEMENT WAS SIGNED BY 57 DEPUTIES REPRESENTING ALL PARTIES IN PARLIAMENT AND CONDEMNED "THE IMPERTINENT AND CYNICAL STATEMENT" OF THE VICE PRESIDENT.

2. AN EDITORIAL IN AKROPOLIS (APRIL 19) PRAISED REMARKS OF GENERAL VAN FLEET (PARA 5 REFTEL) AS COMPARED WITH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THOSE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT. ATHINAIKI SAME DAY ALSO

CARRIED AN EDITORIAL CRITICAL OF THE VICE PRESIDENT'S
REMARKS. ALL PAPERS SUNDAY MORNING CARRIED SHORT REPORTS
INDICATING THAT A "STRONG GREEK DEMARCHE"
CONCERNING THE VICE PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT HAD BEEN MADE
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